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1. Introduction

In this paper I shall present an application of an extended field of real numbers to the proof of a theorem in the theory of cooperative games. The proofs set forth below, which involve the use of A. Robinson's theory of non-standard analysis and are metamathematical in character, are not the only way in which the theorems can be verified; alternative proofs utilizing ordinary topological methods can in fact be carried out quite briefly. However, the attempt to apply non-standard analysis to game theory is novel. For this reason, what I have to show may be of interest, not only insofar as it presents new information on the theory of the kernel of a cooperative game, but also in that it demonstrates the possibility of effectively exploiting non-standard analysis as a tool for future investigation in this area. It could very well turn out, for example, that non-standard analysis could serve as a means by which concepts defined for games with a finite number of players could be extended to games with a continuum of players.

2. Definitions and Basic Concepts

N is a (finite or denumerably infinite) set of consecutive natural numbers, called players. v , the characteristic function, is a non-negative real function defined on the subsets of N , called coalitions, which satisfies

$$(2.1) \quad v(\emptyset) = 0, \quad v(\{i\}) = 0, \text{ for all } i \text{ in } N.$$

A game is a pair $(N; v)$. A coalition structure (C.S.) is a partition of N . An individually rational payoff configuration (i.r.p.c.) is a pair $(x; \mathcal{D})$, where \mathcal{D} is a coalition structure and x is a real vector having one component for each member of N and satisfies: $x_i \geq 0$ for all i in N and $\sum_{i \in B} x_i = v(B)$ for all $B \in \mathcal{D}$. Let $(x; \mathcal{D})$ be an i.r.p.c. For all $S \subset N$ we denote

$$(2.2) \quad e(S; x) = v(S) - \sum_{i \in S} x_i.$$

$e(S, x)$ is called the excess of S with respect to $(x; \mathcal{D})$.

Further, let $i, j \in B \in \mathcal{D}$ and $i \neq j$; we denote

$$(2.3) \quad \mathcal{T}_{ij} = \{S; S \subset N, i \in S, j \notin S\}$$

$$(2.4) \quad S_{ij}(x) = \sup_{S \in \mathcal{T}_{ij}} e(S, x)$$

$$(2.5) \quad \bar{\sigma}(j, S) = v(S) - v(S - \{j\})$$

and

$$(2.6) \quad \Omega(j) = \sup_{S \text{ a coalition}} \bar{\sigma}(j, S)$$

We say that i outweighs j with respect to $(x; \mathcal{D})$ if $S_{ij}(x) > S_{ji}(x)$ and $x_j > 0$. The i.r.p.c. $(x; \mathcal{D})$ is balanced if there exists no pair of players h and k such that $h, k \in B \in \mathcal{D}$ and h outweighs k . The kernel $K(G)$ of a game G is the set of all balanced i.r.p.c.'s. The following theorem is known (see [2]; see also [1] and [3]):

Theorem 2.1. For any finite game G (a game consisting of a finite number of players) and any coalition structure \mathcal{D} there exists a payoff vector x such that $(x; \mathcal{D})$ is in the kernel.

This theorem is in general untrue for infinite games.

Example: Consider the game $G = (N; v)$ where $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ and v is defined as follows:

$$(2.7) \quad v(A) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{For } A \text{ of the form } \{n, n+1, n+2, \dots\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Choose the coalition structure $\mathcal{D} = \{N\}$. For this coalition structure there exists no payoff vector x for which $(x; \mathcal{D})$ is in the kernel of G .

Proof: By way of contradiction. Suppose that for some x , $(x; \mathcal{D})$ is in the kernel. If $x_n > 0$, then the coalition

$$C_{n+1} = \{n+1, n+2, \dots\} \text{ is in } \mathcal{T}_{n+1, n}.$$

$$e(C_{n+1}, x) = 1 - (x_{n+1} + x_{n+2} + \dots) > 0.$$

On the other hand, for any coalition C in $\mathcal{T}_{n, n+1}$, $v(C) = 0$ and hence $e(C, x) = v(C) - \sum_{j \in C} x_j \leq -x_n < 0$. Thus

$S_{n, n+1}(x) \leq -x_n < 0$. It follows therefore that

$$S_{n, n+1}(x) < e(C_{n+1}, x) \leq S_{n+1, n}(x) \text{ and } x_n > 0.$$

This implies that n outweighs $n+1$, in contradiction to the hypothesis that $(x; \mathcal{D})$ is balanced. Thus $x_n = 0$ for all n . Therefore $x = (0, 0, \dots)$ which is impossible because $\sum x_i$ must equal $v(N)$ which is equal to 1. We thus see that the hypothesis that such an x exists leads to a contradiction.

Definition 2.2. $G = (N; v)$ is a superadditive game if for any two disjoint subsets C, D of N , $v(C \cup D) \geq v(C) + v(D)$.

3. The Non-Standard Model of a Game

We shall start with a brief definition and description of a non-standard model of analysis. For more complete details and for proofs the reader is referred to the first thirty pages of [4] or to the material appearing in the chapter on non-standard analysis in [5].

We begin by classifying real numbers and certain sets and relations into categories called types. We perform this classification inductively. A real number will be said to be of type 0. Suppose A_1, \dots, A_n are sets such that for every i , $1 \leq i \leq n$, A_i consists of elements all of which have been previously classified (by induction) into type t_i . Then any subset of $A_1 \times \dots \times A_n$ will be said to be of type (t_1, \dots, t_n) . Thus, 5 is of type 0. The set of all even numbers is of type (0). The order relation $<$, by set theoretic definition, is of type (0,0). Note: There exist elements that are of more than one type; the empty set, for example. The function $\cos zy$ may be said to be of type (0,0,0). The function may likewise be said to be of type $((0,0),0)$ or of type $(0,(0,0))$. We will now inductively define the length of a type. The type 0 will be said to be of length 1. If t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n have been previously (inductively) defined to be of lengths l_1, l_2, \dots, l_n , then the type (t_1, \dots, t_n) will be said to be of length $l_1 + l_2 + \dots + l_n + 2$. Let L_{30} be the set of all types of lengths less than 30. It is clear that L_{30} is a finite set.

Let A be the set of all elements that belong to at least one of the types in \mathcal{L}_{30} . Then A includes, among other things, all real numbers, all subsets of the set of real numbers, all subsets of $X \times X$, where X is the set of real numbers, and hence, by set theoretic definition of function, all functions of a single real variable.

Since a vector (finite or denumerably infinite) is essentially a real function defined on a subset of the set of natural numbers, A also contains all vectors. Similarly, it contains all measure functions defined on sets of real numbers. Thus it contains Sup and Σ .

Let $\mathcal{A} = \langle A; \emptyset_i, T_t, \emptyset_{ID} \rangle$ i-a natural number such that $i \geq 2$
t-a type

be a relational system, consisting of a set of individuals, and of a set of relations defined on the set of individuals. A , the set described in the preceding paragraph, is the set of individuals. The relations \emptyset_i , T_t and \emptyset_{ID} are defined as follows:

\emptyset_i is an i -ary relation on A . The i -ad $\langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle$ (where a_1, \dots, a_n are elements in A) is said to be in \emptyset_i if and only if a_1 is a set and the i -minus-1-ad $\langle a_2, \dots, a_n \rangle$ is a member of a_1 . For any type t , T_t is a one place relation on A . $b \in A$ is in T_t if and only if b is of type t . \emptyset_{ID} is the binary identity relation on A .

Let L be a language made up of a set of symbols whose cardinality is greater than the cardinality of A , and of a one-to-one correspondence f from the elements of \mathcal{A} (individuals and re-

lations) into L . Symbols that thus correspond to relations will be called predicates. Denote by K the set of all sentences in the calculus of predicates of first order formed from symbols of L that are meaningful in \mathcal{A} . Denote by K_0 the set of all sentences in K that are true in \mathcal{A} . Consider the following set of sentences.

$$(3.1) \quad K_1 = K_0 \cup \{\bar{Q}_{T,0}^1 \bar{a}\} \cup \{\sim \bar{Q}_{ID}^1 \bar{a} \bar{a}_\mu\}_{\mu} \text{ an index that runs through the real numbers.}$$

Here \bar{a} is a symbol in L that does not correspond under f to any element in \mathcal{A} . $\bar{Q}_{T,0}^1$ is the symbol in L that signifies (under f) the relation T_0 . \bar{Q}_{ID}^1 is the symbol in L signifying \emptyset_{ID} . \bar{a}_μ is the symbol in L that corresponds to the number μ .

Since every finite subset of K_1 possesses a model (\mathcal{A} is a model of every finite subset of K_1 (see [4], p. 18)), then by the compactness principle (ibid) K_1 itself possesses a model. Every model of K_1 shall be called a non-standard model of analysis.

. Let \mathcal{B} be some model of K_1 . Every sentence in the predicate calculus of first order that is true when interpreted in \mathcal{A} remains true when it is re-interpreted in \mathcal{B} . Numbers, sets, and relations in \mathcal{A} are signified by symbols in L . These symbols, in turn, when re-interpreted in \mathcal{B} , signify certain elements in \mathcal{B} . Any such element will be called a \mathcal{B} -number, \mathcal{B} -set, or \mathcal{B} -relation, depending on whether the element in \mathcal{A} signified by the corresponding symbol is a num-

ber, set or relation. For any element \hat{c} in \mathcal{B} which corresponds to a symbol \bar{c} signifying some number c in \mathcal{A} , $\bar{Q}_{T,c}^1$ is true in \mathcal{B} . For any x in \mathcal{B} such that $\bar{Q}_{T,0}^1 x$, x will be called a \mathcal{B} -number. All other individuals in \mathcal{B} are called \mathcal{B} -sets. The order relation $<$ in \mathcal{A} carries over to a complete order relation on \mathcal{B} -numbers. The three place relation $+$ in \mathcal{A} (a, b, c is in the relation if and only if $a+b = c$) passes over to a three place relation in \mathcal{B} on \mathcal{B} -numbers. The number 0 passes over to $\bar{0}$ in \mathcal{B} . There exist numbers in \mathcal{B} greater than $\bar{0}$ that are less than all \mathcal{B} -numbers signified by symbols corresponding to positive numbers in \mathcal{A} (see [4]). Such \mathcal{B} -numbers are called infinitesimal. Infinite numbers are defined analogously. There exist \mathcal{B} -numbers and \mathcal{B} -sets not signified by any symbols signifying elements in \mathcal{A} . There exist sets whose elements all appear in \mathcal{B} while the sets themselves do not appear in \mathcal{B} . Such sets are not \mathcal{B} -sets. \mathcal{B} -sets have properties that are analogous to those of \mathcal{A} -sets. They obey all axioms of set theory expressible in the predicate calculus of first order. We can thus speak of elements that are contained in a \mathcal{B} -set, intersections of \mathcal{B} -sets, \mathcal{B} -subsets of \mathcal{B} -sets, etc. Hence we can define \mathcal{B} -vectors, \mathcal{B} -functions and \mathcal{B} -relations in complete analogy with the set theoretic definitions of \mathcal{A} -vectors, \mathcal{A} -functions and \mathcal{A} -relations. We simply substitute the words \mathcal{B} -set for \mathcal{A} -set in each of the corresponding definitions. Let us denote by \mathcal{N} the set of all natural numbers in \mathcal{A} .

Denote by $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ the image of \mathcal{N} in \mathcal{B} , i.e., the element in \mathcal{B} signified by the symbol corresponding to \mathcal{N} . $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ is a \mathcal{B} -set. Any \mathcal{B} -number contained in $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ will be called a natural \mathcal{B} -number. There exist infinite as well as finite natural \mathcal{B} -numbers.

\mathcal{B} -numbers for which there exist symbols corresponding to numbers in \mathcal{A} will be called standard numbers. For any finite \mathcal{B} -number \hat{d} there exists a unique standard number \hat{d}^1 such that \hat{d}^1 is the nearest standard number to \hat{d} (see [4]). For any number e in \mathcal{A} we shall denote the image of e in \mathcal{B} by e^\sim . For any finite number \hat{h} in \mathcal{B} we shall denote the nearest standard number by \hat{h}^\bullet . For any standard \mathcal{B} -number \hat{i} we shall denote by \hat{i}^\vee the image of \hat{i} in \mathcal{A} . \mathcal{B} -elements will in general be denoted by lower case latin letters crowned by roofs (\hat{b} , \hat{c} , \hat{d} , etc.). \mathcal{A} -elements will be denoted in general by lower case uncrowned latin letters (p , q , r , etc.). $\hat{\phi}_{ID}$, the image of ϕ_{ID} in \mathcal{B} , may be assumed, without loss of generality, to be the identity relation. That is, if \hat{a} and \hat{b} are individuals in \mathcal{B} , the pair $\langle \hat{a}, \hat{b} \rangle$ is in $\hat{\phi}_{ID}$ if and only if \hat{a} and \hat{b} are both the same element.

We define a non-standard game in complete analogy with the standard \mathcal{A} -game given above. Let \hat{N} be a \mathcal{B} -set of consecutive natural \mathcal{B} -numbers. If every number in \hat{N} is less than some \mathcal{A} -number \hat{c} then we say that \hat{N} is \mathcal{B} -finite. Note: \hat{N} may consist of an infinite number of \mathcal{B} -numbers and still be \mathcal{B} -finite. Let \hat{v} be a \mathcal{B} -function defined on all \mathcal{B} -subsets of \hat{N} , whose values are non-negative \mathcal{B} -numbers; $\hat{v}(\emptyset) = 0^\sim$, $\hat{v}(\{\hat{i}\}) = 0^\sim$ for each \hat{i} in \hat{N} . The pair $(\hat{N}; \hat{v})$ is a non-standard game, or a \mathcal{B} -game. Let $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$ be a \mathcal{B} -set of \mathcal{B} -

subsets of \hat{N} such that any two such subsets are disjoint and such that the union of the \mathcal{B} -subsets in $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$ is equal to \hat{N} . $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$ is then called a \mathcal{B} -coalition structure. Let \hat{x} be a \mathcal{B} -vector having one coordinate for each element in \hat{N} . The pair $(\hat{x}; \hat{\mathcal{D}})$ will be said to be a \mathcal{B} -i.r.p.c. if each coordinate of \hat{x} is non-negative and $\sum_{i \in \hat{D}} \hat{x}_i = \hat{v}(\hat{D})$ for each \hat{D} in $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$. The definitions of $\hat{e}(\hat{S}; \hat{x})$, $\hat{\tau}_{i,j}$, $\hat{s}_{i,j}$, $\hat{o}(j, \hat{S})$ and $\hat{\Omega}(j)$ are entirely analagous to the definitions (2.2) - (2.6). The definition of balanced \mathcal{B} -i.r.p.c.'s in a \mathcal{B} -game is also completely analogous. The \mathcal{B} -kernel is the set of all \mathcal{B} -i.r.p.c.'s that are balanced. A \mathcal{B} -game is \mathcal{B} -finite if \hat{N} is \mathcal{B} -finite.

Lemma 3.1. For any \mathcal{B} -finite game $\hat{G} = (\hat{N}; \hat{v})$, and for any \mathcal{B} -coalition structure $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$, there exists a \mathcal{B} -vector \hat{x} such that $(\hat{x}; \hat{\mathcal{D}})$ is in the \mathcal{B} -kernel.

Proof: Express Theorem 2.1 in the first order predicate calculus using symbols from L . Reinterpret the statement in \mathcal{B} . The reinterpreted statement yields Theorem 3.1.

Theorem 3.2. Let $G = (N; v)$ be a finite superadditive game.

Let $(x; \mathcal{D}) \in K(G)$. Then for all i in N , $x_i \leq \Omega(i)$.

Proof: By contradiction. Assume that there exists a player j_1 for which $x_{j_1} > \Omega(j_1)$. It is clear that $\Omega(j_1) \geq 0$. Then

$x_{j_1} > 0$. Let T be the coalition in \mathcal{D} for which $j_1 \in T$. T must contain more than one player. Otherwise, by (2.1), it follows

that $x_{j_1} = 0$. The excess $e((T - \{j_1\}), x) > 0$ because $e((T - \{j_1\}), x) =$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= v(T - \{j_1\}) - \sum_{k \in (T - \{j_1\})} x_k = v(T) - \sigma(j_1, T) - \sum_{k \in (T - \{j_1\})} x_k \geq \\
 &\geq v(T) - \Omega(j_1) - \sum_{k \in (T - \{j_1\})} x_k > v(T) - x_{j_1} - \sum_{k \in T - \{j_1\}} x_k = \\
 &= v(T) - \sum_{k \in T} x_k = v(T) - v(T) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, the excess $e(\{j_1\}, x) = v(\{j_1\}) - x_{j_1} = 0 - x_{j_1} < 0$. We assert that for any coalition S containing j_1 there exists a non-empty coalition V not containing j_1 for which $e(V) > e(S)$. We have proved this for $S = \{j_1\}$. Let S contain more than one player, then $e(S, x) < e((S - \{j_1\}), x)$ since $e(S, x) = v(S) - \sum_{k \in S} x_k = v(S - \{j_1\}) + \sigma(j, S) - \sum_{k \in S} x_k \leq v(S - \{j_1\}) + (\Omega(j_1) - x_{j_1}) - \sum_{k \in S - \{j_1\}} x_k < v(S - \{j_1\}) - \sum_{k \in S - \{j_1\}} x_k = e(S - \{j_1\}, x)$.

Let V_1 be a coalition such that for each coalition V_2 , $e(V_2, x) \leq e(V_1, x)$. Then $j_1 \notin V_1$. V_1 must contain at least one player in $T - \{j_1\}$; if not, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 e([T - \{j_1\}] \cup V_1, x) &= v([T - \{j_1\}] \cup V_1) - \sum_{k \in T - \{j_1\}} x_k - \sum_{k \in V_1} x_k \\
 &\geq v(T - \{j_1\}) - \sum_{k \in T - \{j_1\}} x_k + v(V_1) - \sum_{k \in V_1} x_k \\
 &= e(T - \{j_1\}, x) + e(V_1, x) > e(V_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

in contradiction to the assumption that for all V_2 , $e(V_2) \leq e(V_1)$.

Let l be a player contained in both V_1 and $T - \{j_1\}$.

From what we have seen there exists a coalition C in \mathcal{T}_{l, j_1} (e.g., V_1) such that for any coalition D in $\mathcal{T}_{j, l}$, $e(C, x) > e(D, x)$.

We have shown that $x_{j_1} > 0$. Then l outweighs j_1 . This is in contradiction to the assumption that $(x; \emptyset)$ is in $K(G)$. The lemma is thus proven.

Note: When $\mathcal{D} = \{N\}$ the requirement that the game be superadditive is not needed.

Lemma 3.3. Let $\hat{G} = (\hat{N}; \hat{v})$ be a \mathcal{B} -finite superadditive game. Let $(\hat{x}; \hat{\mathcal{D}})$ be a \mathcal{B} -i.r.p.c. in the \mathcal{B} -kernel of \hat{G} . Let $\hat{\Omega}$ be the \mathcal{B} -function corresponding to $\hat{\Omega}$. Then for all i in \hat{N} , $\hat{\Omega}(i) \geq \hat{x}_i$.

The proof is similar to the proof of Lemma 3.1 (see Theorem 3.2).

Let $\Gamma = (N; v)$ be countably infinite, where $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ and v , the characteristic function, fulfills the following conditions:

(3.2) v is superadditive (see Definition 2.2).

(3.3) For any $0 < \epsilon$ and for any coalition S there exists a natural number $n_1 = n_1(S, \epsilon)$ such that for any $n \geq n_1$, $0 \leq v(S) - v(S - \{n+1, n+2, \dots\}) < \epsilon$.

(3.4) $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \Omega(j) < \infty$ (see (2.6)).

Let \mathcal{D} be any coalition structure on Γ . Let $\hat{\Gamma} = (\hat{N}; \hat{v})$ be the \mathcal{B} -game corresponding to Γ in \mathcal{B} . Let $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$ be the image of \mathcal{D} . Let \hat{m}_1 be some infinite natural \mathcal{B} -number.* Let

* The roofs on symbols like $+$ $>$ \geq $<$ \leq $|$ $|$ (absolute value) $\times \in \cap \cup$ etc. denoting the use of the non-standard model will be omitted.

$$\hat{N}_{\hat{m}_1} = \{\hat{n} \mid \hat{n} \leq \hat{m}_1, \hat{n} \text{ a natural number}\},$$

$\hat{v}_{\hat{m}_1}$ = the \mathcal{B} -function obtained from \hat{v} by restricting its domain to be the \mathcal{B} -subsets of $\hat{N}_{\hat{m}_1}$,

$$\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\hat{m}_1} = \{\hat{T} \mid \hat{T} = \hat{T}^1 \cap \hat{N}_{\hat{m}_1}, \hat{T}^1 \in \hat{\mathcal{D}}\}.$$

Let \hat{z} be an \hat{m}_1 -dimensional \mathcal{B} -vector such that $(\hat{z}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\hat{m}_1})$ is a \mathcal{B} -i.r.p.c. of $\hat{\Gamma}_{\hat{m}_1} = (\hat{N}_{\hat{m}_1}; \hat{v}_{\hat{m}_1})$ and such that

$$(3.5) \quad \hat{z}_{\hat{i}} \leq \hat{\Omega}(\hat{i}), \text{ for all } \hat{i} \text{ such that } 1 \sim \hat{i} \leq \hat{m}_1.$$

Let z be the infinite dimensional \mathcal{A} -vector defined as follows:

$$z_k = [\hat{z}_{k\sim}]^{*v}$$

($k\sim$ is the image of k in \mathcal{B} ; $\hat{z}_{k\sim}$ is the $k\sim$ -th component of \hat{z} ; $[\hat{z}_{k\sim}]^*$ is the nearest standard number to $\hat{z}_{k\sim}$; $[\hat{z}_{k\sim}]^{*v}$ is the counter image of $[\hat{z}_{k\sim}]^*$ in \mathcal{A} .)

Lemma 3.4. For every coalition S in \mathcal{D} , $\sum_{i \in S} z_i$ converges.

Proof: It is clear that $z_i \geq 0$ for every natural number i .

For every natural number i in \mathcal{A} let $\hat{p}_{i\sim} = [\hat{z}_{i\sim}]^* - \hat{z}_{i\sim}$.

Let \hat{S} be the image of S in \mathcal{B} . Then for every natural number

ℓ in \mathcal{A} and for all $\delta > 0$ in \mathcal{A}

$$0 \leq [\sum_{i \leq \ell} z_i] \sim = \sum_{\substack{i \leq \ell \\ i \in \hat{S}}} \hat{z}_{i\sim} [\hat{z}_{i\sim}]^* = \sum_{\substack{i \leq \ell \\ i \in \hat{S}}} \hat{z}_{i\sim} + \sum_{\substack{i \leq \ell \\ i \in \hat{S}}} \hat{p}_{i\sim} < \sum_{\substack{i \leq \ell \\ i \in \hat{S}}} \hat{z}_{i\sim} + \delta \cdot \sum_{\substack{i \leq \ell \\ i \in \hat{S}}} [\hat{z}_{i\sim}]^{\hat{i}}$$

This arises because for each \hat{i} such that $\hat{i} \leq \ell$, \hat{i} is a standard number and $\hat{p}_{\hat{i}}$ is infinitesimal (positive or negative)

whereas $\delta \cdot [\frac{1}{2}]^i$ is a standard positive number; ⁽¹⁾ hence $\hat{p}_i < \delta \cdot [\frac{1}{2}]^i$.
 $\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l}} \hat{z}_i + \delta \cdot \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l}} [\frac{1}{2}]^i < \sum_{i \in \hat{S}_{m_1}} \hat{z}_i + \delta$, where $\hat{S}_{m_1} = \hat{S} \cap \hat{N}_{m_1}$
 $= \hat{v}_{m_1}(\hat{S}_{m_1}) + \delta = \hat{v}(\hat{S}_{m_1}) + \delta \leq \hat{v}(\hat{S}) + \delta$

Thus for every natural l and all $0 < \delta$

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l}} z_i < v(S) + \delta.$$

Theorem 3.5. Let \hat{z} be an \hat{m}_1 -dimensional \mathcal{B} -vector/satisfying (3.5) such that $(\hat{z}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{m_1})$ is a \mathcal{B} -i.r.p.c. of $\hat{\Gamma}_{m_1}$ and let $z_k = [\hat{z}_k]^{*v}$. Here $\hat{\Gamma}_{m_1}$ is derived from ^(a) countably infinite game Γ whose characteristic function satisfies (3.2)-(3.4). For every coalition S in \mathcal{D} , $\sum_{i \in S} z_i = v(S)$.

Proof: In the proof of Lemma 3.4 we saw that $0 \leq \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l}} z_i \leq v(S)$

for every natural number l . What remains to be proven is that for all $\delta > 0$ there exists a natural number l_1 in \mathcal{A} such that $\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l}} z_i + \delta > v(S)$. Let l_1 be a natural number such

that $\sum_{i > l} \Omega(i) \leq \frac{\delta}{3}$ and such that for all $n > l_1$, $v(S) - v(S - \{n+1, n+2, \dots\}) \leq \frac{\delta}{3}$ (see (3.3)-(3.4)). Then

(1) The meaning of $\hat{=}$ in the non-standard model is exactly $=$; hence we are justified in writing $\hat{=}$ instead of $\hat{\approx}$. This is because \emptyset_{ID} is the identity relation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} z_i + \frac{2}{3}\delta)^{\sim} &> (\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} z_i + \frac{\delta}{3} \cdot \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} (\frac{1}{2})^i)^{\sim} + (\sum_{i > l_1} \hat{\Omega}(i))^{\sim} \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} \hat{z}_i^{\wedge*} + (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} \cdot \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} (\frac{1}{2})^i + \sum_{i > l_1} \hat{\Omega}(i) \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} (\hat{z}_i^{\wedge} + \hat{p}_i^{\wedge}) + (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} \cdot \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} (\frac{1}{2})^i + \sum_{i > l_1} \hat{\Omega}(i)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\hat{p}_i^{\wedge} = \hat{z}_i^{\wedge*} - \hat{z}_i^{\wedge}$, and is, of course, infinitesimal (positive or negative). Thus $(\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} \cdot (\frac{1}{2})^i + \hat{p}_i^{\wedge} > \hat{0}$ for all $i \leq l_1$. Hence

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} (\hat{z}_i^{\wedge} + \hat{p}_i^{\wedge}) + (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} \cdot \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} (\frac{1}{2})^i + \sum_{i > l_1} \hat{\Omega}(i) \geq \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} \hat{z}_i^{\wedge} + \sum_{i > l_1} \hat{\Omega}(i)$$

and by (3.5)

$$\geq \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} \hat{z}_i^{\wedge} + \sum_{\substack{i > l_1 \\ i \in \hat{S}_{m_1}^{\wedge}}} \hat{z}_i^{\wedge}$$

and since $(\hat{z}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{m_1}^{\wedge})$ is a \mathcal{B} -i.r.p.c. and $\hat{S}_{m_1}^{\wedge}$ is in $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{m_1}^{\wedge}$ we have

$$= \hat{v}_{m_1}^{\wedge}(\hat{S}_{m_1}^{\wedge}) = \hat{v}(\hat{S}_{m_1}^{\wedge}).$$

For all $\hat{n} > l_1$ we know that $\hat{v}(\hat{S}) - \hat{v}(\hat{S} - \{\hat{n}+1^{\sim}, \hat{n}+2^{\sim}, \dots\}) \leq (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim}$. Then $\hat{v}(\hat{S}) - \hat{v}(\hat{S}_{m_1}^{\wedge}) \leq (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim}$. Then $\hat{v}(\hat{S}_{m_1}^{\wedge}) \geq \hat{v}(\hat{S}) - (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim}$.

From this we deduce that

$$(\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} z_i + \delta)^{\sim} > \hat{v}(\hat{S}).$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \leq l_1}} z_i + \delta > v(S).$$

Lemma 3.6. Let \hat{S}^1 be a \mathcal{B} -subset of \hat{N}_{m_1} . Let S be the \mathcal{A} -coalition containing every natural \mathcal{A} -number j for which j^{\sim} is in \hat{S}^1 . Let S^{\sim} be the image of S in \mathcal{B} . Then $|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - v(S^{\sim})|$ is infinitesimal.

Proof: Let $\hat{\epsilon}$ be a standard number greater than 0^{\sim} . Let $\hat{\epsilon}^v$ be the image of $\hat{\epsilon}$ in \mathcal{A} . Let n_1 be a natural \mathcal{A} -number such that for all $n \geq n_1$, $|v(S_n) - v(S)| < (\frac{\hat{\epsilon}}{3})^v$ and $\sum_{i \leq n} \Omega(i) < (\frac{\hat{\epsilon}}{3})^{\wedge}$; here $S_n = S - \{n+1, n+2, \dots\}$ (see (3.3)). Then for any standard \mathcal{B} -natural number \hat{n} greater than \hat{n}_1 , $|\hat{v}(S^{\sim}_{\hat{n}}) - \hat{v}(S^{\sim})| < (\frac{\hat{\epsilon}}{3})$. Since $S^{\sim}_{\hat{n}}$ and $\hat{S}^1_{\hat{n}}$ coincide for all standard \hat{n} , this means that for all standard \hat{n} greater than \hat{n}_1 ,

$$(3.6) \quad |\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{\hat{n}}) - \hat{v}(S^{\sim})| < (\frac{\hat{\epsilon}}{3})$$

Suppose $|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^{\sim})| > \hat{\epsilon}$. If $\hat{v}(S^{\sim}) > \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1)$ then $v(S^{\sim}) - \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) > \hat{\epsilon}$. Because of superadditivity

$$\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) \geq v(\hat{S}^1_{\hat{n}}) + \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1 - \hat{S}^1_{\hat{n}}).$$

Hence

$$v(S^{\sim}) - \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{\hat{n}}) \geq \hat{v}(S^{\sim}) - (\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{\hat{n}}) + \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1 - \hat{S}^1_{\hat{n}})) \geq \hat{v}(S^{\sim}) - \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) > \hat{\epsilon}$$

which contradicts (3.6). Thus if $|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^{\sim})| > \hat{\epsilon}$ then

$$(3.7) \quad \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) > \hat{v}(S^\sim)$$

Let $W = W_1 \cup W_2$ be any finite \mathcal{A} -coalition, where W_1 and W_2 are disjoint subsets of W . Through mathematical induction, and using (2.6), it may be readily seen that $v(W) \leq v(W_1) + \sum_{i \in W_2} \Omega(i)$. The assertion that $v(W) \leq v(W_1) + \sum_{i \in W_2} \Omega(i)$ for all W, W_1, W_2 such that $W = W_1 \cup W_2, W_1 \cap W_2 = \emptyset$, and $\exists n \forall i (i \in W \rightarrow i < n)$, is expressible as a sentence in the first order predicate calculus.

Since this sentence is true in \mathcal{A} it is also true when re-interpreted in \mathcal{B} . Applying this knowledge to \hat{S}^1 we obtain:

$$(3.8) \quad \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim}) \leq \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) \leq \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim}) + \sum_{i \in \hat{S}^1 - \hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim}} \hat{\Omega}(i) \leq \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim}) + \sum_{i \geq n_1 \sim} \hat{\Omega}(i) \leq \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim}) + (\frac{\hat{\epsilon}}{3}).$$

By superadditivity,

$$(3.9) \quad \hat{v}(S^\sim) \geq \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim})$$

Using (3.7), (3.8) and (3.9) we receive:

$$|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^\sim)| = \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^\sim) \leq (\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim}) + (\frac{\hat{\epsilon}}{3})) - \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1_{n_1 \sim}) = (\frac{\hat{\epsilon}}{3}).$$

This is in contradiction to the supposition that $|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^\sim)| > \hat{\epsilon}$.

Thus for every standard \mathcal{B} -number, $\hat{\epsilon}, \hat{\epsilon} > 0^\sim$, $|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^\sim)| \leq \hat{\epsilon}$.

Hence $|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^\sim)|$ is infinitesimal.

Lemma 3.7. Let \hat{S}^1 be a \mathcal{B} -subset of \hat{N}_{m_1} . Let S be the \mathcal{A} -coalition containing every natural \mathcal{A} -number j for which j^\sim is in \hat{S}^1 . Then $|\sum_{i \in \hat{S}^1} \hat{z}_i - (\sum_{i \in S} z_i)^\sim|$ is infinitesimal. Here \hat{z} and z are as defined in the paragraph containing (3.5).

Proof: Since $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} z_i \leq v(\{1,2,\dots\}) < \infty$, it is clear then that for any \mathcal{A} -coalition T $\sum_{i \in T} z_i$ converges absolutely. Let δ be any particular positive \mathcal{A} -number and let l be a natural \mathcal{A} -number such that $\sum_{i \geq l} \Omega(i) < \frac{\delta}{3}$ and such that $\sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ i \geq l}} z_i < \frac{\delta}{3}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\sum}_{i \in \hat{S}} \hat{z}_i - (\sum_{i \in S} z_i)^{\sim}| &= |(\hat{\sum}_{\substack{i \in \hat{S} \\ i \leq l^{\sim}}} \hat{z}_i - \hat{\sum}_{\substack{i \in \hat{S} \\ i \leq l^{\sim}}} \hat{z}_i^*) + (\hat{\sum}_{\substack{i \in \hat{S} \\ i > l^{\sim}}} \hat{z}_i - (\sum_{i \in S} z_i)^{\sim})| \\ &\leq |\hat{\sum}_{\substack{i \in \hat{S} \\ i \leq l^{\sim}}} \hat{z}_i - \hat{\sum}_{\substack{i \in \hat{S} \\ i \leq l^{\sim}}} \hat{z}_i^*| + \hat{\sum}_{\substack{i \in \hat{S} \\ i > l^{\sim}}} \hat{z}_i + (\sum_{i \in S} z_i)^{\sim} \\ &\leq |\hat{e}_1 + \dots + \hat{e}_{l^{\sim}}| + (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} + (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} \\ &\quad \text{where } \hat{e}_1, \dots, \hat{e}_{l^{\sim}} \text{ are infinitesimal numbers,} \\ &< (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} + (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} + (\frac{\delta}{3})^{\sim} = \delta^{\sim} \end{aligned}$$

Thus for every standard positive \mathcal{B} -number δ^{\sim} , $|\hat{\sum}_{i \in \hat{S}} \hat{z}_i - (\sum_{i \in S} z_i)^{\sim}|$ is less than it. Therefore $|\hat{\sum}_{i \in \hat{S}} \hat{z}_i - (\sum_{i \in S} z_i)^{\sim}|$ is infinitesimal.

Theorem 3.8 (an existence theorem): Let $\Gamma = (N; v)$ be an infinite game where v , the characteristic function, fulfills conditions (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4). Then, for any coalition structure \mathcal{D} there exists an infinite dimensional vector x such that $(x; \mathcal{D})$ is in $K(\Gamma)$.

Proof: Let $\hat{\Gamma} = (\hat{N}; \hat{v})$ be the \mathcal{B} -game corresponding to Γ in \mathcal{B} . Let $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$ be the image of \mathcal{D} . Let $\hat{m}_1, \hat{N}_{m_1}, \hat{v}_{m_1}$, and $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{m_1}$ be as defined in the lines following (3.4). Let \hat{z} be an \hat{m}_1 dimensional \mathcal{B} -vector such that $(\hat{z}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{m_1})$ is in the \mathcal{B} -kernel of $\hat{\Gamma}_{m_1}$.

Such a \hat{z} exists, by Lemma 3.1. For all finite natural i , \hat{z}_i is finite since by Lemma 3.3 $\hat{z}_i \leq \hat{\Omega}(i)$, and $\hat{\Omega}(i)$ is finite. We define the infinite dimensional \mathcal{A} -vector z as follows: $z_i = [\hat{z}_i \sim]^{\#v}$. It is clear that $z_i \geq 0$ for all natural i . By Theorem 3.5 we know that $\sum_{i \in S} z_i = v(S)$ for all S in \mathcal{D} . Thus $(z; \mathcal{D})$ is an i.r.p.c. We seek to prove that $(z; \mathcal{D})$ is in the kernel of Γ .

Let H be a coalition in \mathcal{D} that contains at least two different players. It is sufficient to prove that at least one of the following two cases holds:

$$(i) \quad z_k = 0$$

(ii) For any coalition K that contains k and does not contain l , there exists a coalition S which contains l and which does not contain k , such that

$$v(S) - \sum_{i \in S} z_i \geq v(K) - \sum_{i \in K} z_i$$

We shall prove that when (i) does not hold, (ii) does. Let K be some coalition that contains player k and does not contain player l . Let K^\sim be the image of K in \mathcal{B} . Let $K^\sim_{m_1} = K^\sim \cap \hat{N}_{m_1}$. $K^\sim_{m_1}$ contains the player k^\sim and does not contain the player l^\sim . Let H^\sim be the image of H and let $H^\sim_{m_1} = H^\sim \cap \hat{N}_{m_1}$. Since $(z; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{m_1})$ is in the \mathcal{B} -kernel and since $k^\sim, l^\sim \in H^\sim_{m_1} \in \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{m_1}$ and $z_{l^\sim} > 0$, there exists a \mathcal{B} -coalition \hat{S}^1 of $\hat{\Gamma}_{m_1}$ that contains l^\sim and does not contain k^\sim and for which

$$\hat{v}_{\hat{m}_1}(\hat{S}^1) - \sum_{\hat{i} \in \hat{S}^1} \hat{z}_{\hat{i}} \geq \hat{v}_{\hat{m}_1}(\hat{K}^{\sim}_{\hat{m}_1}) - \sum_{\hat{i} \in \hat{K}^{\sim}_{\hat{m}_1}} \hat{z}_{\hat{i}}$$

Let S be the \mathcal{A} -coalition containing every natural \mathcal{A} -number j for which j^{\sim} is in \hat{S}^1 . It is clear that S contains l and does not contain k . Let S^{\sim} be the image of S in \mathcal{B} . Note that S^{\sim} and \hat{S}^1 are in general not identical. \hat{S}^1 contains only \mathcal{B} -numbers that are less than $\hat{m}_1 + 1^{\sim}$. S^{\sim} , on the other hand, may contain greater \mathcal{B} -numbers. We set out to prove that $v(S) - \sum_{i \in S} z_i \geq v(K) - \sum_{i \in K} z_i$. By Lemma 3.6, $|\hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) - \hat{v}(S^{\sim})|$ and $|\hat{v}(\hat{K}^{\sim}_{\hat{m}_1}) - \hat{v}(K^{\sim})|$ are infinitesimal numbers. (The latter difference is infinitesimal because both coalitions have the same standard players.) By Lemma 3.7, $|\sum_{\hat{i} \in \hat{S}^1} \hat{z}_{\hat{i}} - (\sum_{i \in S} z_i)^{\sim}|$ and $|\sum_{\hat{i} \in \hat{K}^{\sim}_{\hat{m}_1}} \hat{z}_{\hat{i}} - (\sum_{i \in K} z_i)^{\sim}|$ are likewise infinitesimal. To prove that $(v(K) - \sum_{i \in K} z_i) \leq (v(S) - \sum_{i \in S} z_i)$ it is sufficient to prove that for all $\delta > 0$ in \mathcal{A} ,

$$(v(K) - \sum_{i \in K} z_i) - (v(S) - \sum_{i \in S} z_i) \leq \delta.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } (v(K) - \sum_{i \in K} z_i)^{\sim} - (v(S) - \sum_{i \in S} z_i)^{\sim} &< \hat{v}(\hat{K}^{\sim}_{\hat{m}_1}) + (\frac{\delta}{4})^{\sim} - \\ &- \sum_{\hat{i} \in \hat{K}^{\sim}_{\hat{m}_1}} \hat{z}_{\hat{i}} + (\frac{\delta}{4})^{\sim} - \hat{v}(\hat{S}^1) + (\frac{\delta}{4})^{\sim} + \sum_{\hat{i} \in \hat{S}^1} \hat{z}_{\hat{i}} + (\frac{\delta}{4})^{\sim} \leq \delta^{\sim}. \end{aligned}$$

We have thus proven that $(z; \mathcal{D})$ is in the kernel. Therefore the kernel is not empty for any coalition structure.

Theorem 3.9. Let $K(G)$ be the kernel of an infinite game $G = (\{1, 2, \dots\}; v)$ which fulfills the relations (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4). Let \mathcal{D} be an arbitrary coalition structure on G . Let G_n be the game $(\{1, 2, \dots, n\}; v_n)$, where v_n receives the same values as v on subsets of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Let $K(G_n)$ be

the kernel of G_n . Let the space $E^\infty = E^1 \times E^1 \times \dots$ have the Tychinoff topology. Let $\{O_i\}_{i=1,2,\dots}$ be a sequence of sets, $O_i \subset E^1$. Let O_∞ be a set in the space E^∞ with the following property: If $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ is a point in E^∞ such that for any open set E containing x there exists a natural number i and a vector $(x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_i)$ in O_i such that $(x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_i, 0, 0, \dots) \in E$ then $x \in O_\infty$. Under these conditions, if for each n , there exists a vector $x^{(n)} = (x_1^{(n)}, \dots, x_n^{(n)})$ in O_n such that $(x^{(n)}; \mathcal{D}_n)$ is in $K(G_n)$, then there exists an x in O_∞ such that $(x; \mathcal{D}) \in K(G)$.

Proof: Since for each n there exists an $x^{(n)}$ in O_n for which $(x^{(n)}; \mathcal{D}_n)$ is in $K(G_n)$, and since this fact is expressible

in the first order predicate calculus, it follows that for any natural \mathcal{B} -number, \hat{m} , there exists an $\hat{x}^{(\hat{m})}$ in $\hat{O}_{\hat{m}}$ such that $(\hat{x}^{(\hat{m})}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\hat{m}})$ is in $\hat{K}(\hat{G}_{\hat{m}})$. Let \hat{m}_1 be an infinite \mathcal{B} -number.

Let $\hat{x}^{(\hat{m}_1)}$ be such that $\hat{x}^{(\hat{m}_1)} \in \hat{O}_{\hat{m}_1}$ and $(\hat{x}^{(\hat{m}_1)}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\hat{m}_1}) \in \hat{K}(\hat{G}_{\hat{m}_1})$.

Let x be the infinite dimensional \mathcal{A} -vector obtained by setting $x_i = (\hat{x}^{(\hat{m}_1)}_i)^{\sim}$. Then, as we have shown in the proof of Theorem 3.8, $(x; \mathcal{D}) \in K(G)$. We must prove that $x \in O_\infty$. Let \tilde{x} be the

image in \mathcal{B} of x . We will prove that for all ϵ , $\hat{\Sigma}_{i \leq \hat{m}_1} |\tilde{x}_i - \hat{x}_i^{(\hat{m}_1)}| +$

$+\hat{\Sigma}_{i > \hat{m}_1} \tilde{x}_i < \epsilon^{\sim}$. Let j_1 be a natural \mathcal{A} -number for which $\Sigma_{i > j_1} \Omega(i) < \frac{1}{4}$ and for which $\Sigma_{i > j_1} x_i < \frac{1}{4}\epsilon$. Then by Lemma 3.3 $\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{m}_1 > i > j_1} \hat{x}_i^{(\hat{m}_1)} < (\frac{1}{4})^{\sim} \cdot \epsilon^{\sim}$ and $\hat{\Sigma}_{i > j_1} \tilde{x}_i < (\frac{1}{4})^{\sim} \cdot \epsilon^{\sim}$. Thus

$$(3.10) \quad \hat{\Sigma}_{i \leq \hat{m}_1} |\tilde{x}_i - \hat{x}_i^{(\hat{m}_1)}| + \hat{\Sigma}_{i > \hat{m}_1} \tilde{x}_i = \hat{\Sigma}_{i \leq j_1} |\tilde{x}_i - \hat{x}_i^{(\hat{m}_1)}| + \hat{\Sigma}_{i > j_1} \tilde{x}_i + \hat{\Sigma}_{i > j_1} \hat{x}_i^{(\hat{m}_1)} < \delta + (\frac{1}{4})^{\sim} \cdot \epsilon^{\sim} + (\frac{1}{4})^{\sim} \cdot \epsilon^{\sim}$$

δ is infinitesimal. Hence

$$\hat{\epsilon} + (\frac{1}{2})^\sim \cdot \epsilon^\sim + (\frac{1}{2})^\sim \cdot \epsilon^\sim < \epsilon^\sim.$$

Thus if $\hat{\epsilon}$ is a standard number, then there exists an i_1 (in our case $i_1 = \hat{m}_1$), and a vector $\hat{x}^{(i_1)}$ in \hat{O}_{i_1} such that $\sum_{i \leq i_1} |\hat{x}_i^\sim - \hat{x}_i^{(i_1)}| + \sum_{i > i_1} \hat{x}_i^\sim < \hat{\epsilon}$. For any specific standard $\hat{\epsilon}$ ($\hat{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{2}^\sim, \frac{1}{4}^\sim, \dots$, etc.) the phrase: "There exists an i_1 and a vector $\hat{x}^{(i_1)}$ in \hat{O}_{i_1} such that

$$\sum_{i \leq i_1} |\hat{x}_i^\sim - \hat{x}_i^{(i_1)}| + \sum_{i > i_1} \hat{x}_i^\sim < \hat{\epsilon}."$$

is expressible as a sentence in the first order predicate calculus. This sentence is true in \mathcal{B} for each specific standard $\hat{\epsilon} > 0^\sim$. Then the sentence must be true in \mathcal{A} for any specific $\epsilon > 0$. Thus for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an i , and an $x^{(i_1)}$ in O_{i_1} such that

$$(3.11) \quad \sum_{i \leq i_1} |x_i - x_i^{(i_1)}| + \sum_{i > i_1} x_i < \epsilon.$$

This means that for any open set E containing x there exists an i_1 and a vector $(x_{i_1}^{(i_1)}, \dots, x_{i_1}^{(i_1)})$ such that $(x_{i_1}^{(i_1)}, \dots, x_{i_1}^{(i_1)}, 0, 0, \dots)$ is in E and $(x_{i_1}^{(i_1)}, \dots, x_{i_1}^{(i_1)}) \in O_{i_1}$. Then by the conditions of the theorem, $x \in O_\omega$.

Clearly, Theorem 3.8 is a special case of Theorem 3.9.

Theorem 3.9 is useful for extending known theorems about the kernel of finite games to infinite games. For example, it is known (see [2]) that if a finite game has a non-empty core then the kernel intersects the core. (The same is true if "core" is replaced by "pseudo-core" (see [2])). It follows from Theorem 3.9 that the same result holds for games with a countable number of

players, if the characteristic function, v , satisfies (3.2), (3.3), and (3.4).

Alternative Proof of Theorem 3.9. (Suggested by R. J. Aumann.)

For each l , $l = 1, 2, \dots$, let $x^{(l)}$ be an l -dimensional vector such that $(x^{(l)}; \mathcal{D}_l) \in K(G_l)$ and $x^{(l)} \in O_l$.

For all $l \geq 1$ and for all k , $1 \leq k \leq l$, $x_k^{(l)} \leq v_l(\{1, \dots, l\}) = v(\{1, \dots, l\}) \leq v(N)$. Denote $c = v(N)$ and let

$I = [0, c] \times [0, c] \times \dots$. Let $x^{(l)}$ be the infinite dimensional vector with $x_k^{(l)} = x_k^{(l)}$ for the first l components and $x_k^{(l)} = 0$ for the remaining components. Under the Tychinoff topology, I is a compact space. Then there exists a vector x in I which is a limit point of the $x^{(l)}$'s. Since, by Theorem 3.2, for all k and all l , $l \geq k$, $x_k^{(l)} \leq \Omega(k)$, it follows that

$$(3.12) \quad x_k \leq \Omega(k) \quad \text{for all } k \geq 1$$

Let $C \in \mathcal{D}$ and let $\epsilon > 0$. We wish to show that

$$|v(C) - \sum_{k \in C} x_k| \leq \epsilon.$$

Let n_1 be such that

$$(3.13) \quad \sum_{k \geq n_1} \Omega(k) \leq \frac{1}{4}\epsilon$$

and such that for all $n \geq n_1$,

$$(3.14) \quad v(C) - v(C_n) \leq \frac{1}{4}\epsilon.$$

Condition (3.4) assures the existence of such an n_1 . Let m_1 be greater than n_1 and be large enough so that

$$\sum_{1 \leq k \leq n_1} |x_k^{(m_1)} - x_k| \leq \frac{1}{4}\epsilon.$$

By Theorem 3.2, $x_k^{(m_1)} \leq \Omega(k)$ for all k , $1 \leq k \leq m_1$. Thus, by (3.12) and (3.13),

$$(3.15) \quad \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m_1} |x_k^{(m_1)} - x_k| + \sum_{k > m_1} x_k \leq \frac{1}{2}\epsilon.$$

Since $v(C_{m_1}) - \sum_{k \in C_{m_1}} x_k^{(m_1)} = 0$, we may readily derive, using (3.12), (3.13), (3.14), and (3.15), that $|v(C) - \sum_{k \in C} x_k| < \epsilon$. Due to the fact that ϵ is an arbitrary positive quantity, it follows that $v(C) = \sum_{k \in C} x_k$. $(x; \mathcal{D})$ is therefore an i.r.p.c.

Let $i, j \in C$ be two different players in C . Suppose $x_j = 0$. Let C_i be a coalition containing i and not j . To prove that $(x; \mathcal{D}) \in K(G)$ we must show the existence of a C_j , $C_j \in \mathcal{T}_{ji}$ (see (2.3)) such that $e(C_j; x) \geq e(C_i; x)$. Denote by $C_{i;n}$ the coalition C_i restricted to the first n players, for $n \geq i, j$. Let $\{x^{(n_v)}\}_{v=1,2,\dots}$ be a sub-sequence of n_v -dimensional vectors such that for all v , $v = 1, 2, \dots$, $(x^{(n_v)}; \mathcal{D}_{n_v}) \in K(G_{n_v})$ and $x^{(n_v)} \in 0_{n_v}$, and such that $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} x^{(n_v)} = x$, where $x_k^{(n_v)} = x_k$ if $k \leq n_v$ and $x_k^{(n_v)} = 0$ otherwise. Since $x^{(n_v)} \rightarrow x$, and since $x_j > 0$, there exists a number v_1 such that $n_{v_1} \geq i, j$, and such that for all $v \geq v_1$, $x_j^{(n_v)} > 0$. For each v equal or greater than v_1 there exists a coalition $C_j^{(n_v)}, C_j^{(n_v)} \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n_v\}$, such that $e(C_j^{(n_v)}; x^{(n_v)}) \geq e(C_{i;n_v}; x^{(n_v)})$. This is because $(x_{n_v}; \mathcal{D}_{n_v}) \in K(G_{n_v})$.

For any coalition E , let χ_E be the 0 - 1 characteristic function of the set E , i.e., $\chi_E(n) = 1$ if $n \in E$; $\chi_E(n) = 0$ otherwise. We shall now define a function on any two 0 - 1 characteristic functions.

$$\rho(x_E, x_F) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_E(n) - x_F(n)| \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

One may easily verify that ρ is a metric; hence ρ induces a topology on the "space" of 0 - 1 characteristic functions. It is easily seen that the space X of all the 0 - 1 characteristic functions (regarded as infinite sequences) with the topology based on this metric is a compact subspace of $J = [0,1] \times [0,1] \times \dots$, where the topology of J is the Tychinoff topology. Let $\{C_j^{(m_v)}\}$ be a sub-sequence of the $C_j^{(n_v)}$'s such that $\{x_{C_j^{(m_v)}}\}$ converges under the ρ -topology to a single limiting 0 - 1 characteristic function. Denote the coalition corresponding to the limiting 0 - 1 characteristic function by C_j . It is clear that C_j contains j and does not contain i . We wish to prove that $e(C_j; x) \geq e(C_i; x)$. Let ϵ be an arbitrary positive number. Let v_1 be such that

$$(3.16) \quad n_{v_1} \geq i, j$$

$$(3.17) \quad \text{For all } v \geq v_1, x^{(n_v)}_{v_1} > 0$$

$$(3.18) \quad \sum_{k \geq n_{v_1}} \Omega(k) \leq \frac{1}{16} \epsilon$$

$$(3.19) \quad \text{For all } v \geq v_1, \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n_{v_1}} |x_k - x^{(n_v)}_k| \leq \frac{1}{16} \epsilon$$

$$(3.20) \quad \text{For all } n \geq n_{v_1}, v(C_j) - v(C_{j;n}) \leq \frac{1}{16} \epsilon$$

$$\text{where } C_{j;n} = C_j \cap \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

$$(3.21) \quad \text{For all } n \geq n_{v_1}, v(C_i) - v(C_{i;n}) \leq \frac{1}{16} \epsilon$$

Let $C_j^{(m_0)}$ be a member of $\{C_j^{(m_v)}\}$ such that $C_j^{(m_0)} \cap C_{j;n_{v_1}} = C_{j;n_{v_1}}$ and such that $m_0 \geq n_{v_1}$. It is clear

that such a $C_j^{(m_o)}$ exists because any $C_j^{(m)}$ for which $\chi_{C_j^{(m)}}$ is sufficiently close to χ_{C_j} (under the metric ρ) is bound to contain all players contained in $C_{j;n_{v_1}}$. Since

$C_j^{(m_o)} \cap C_{j;n_{v_1}} = C_{j;n_{v_1}}$ it is easy to deduce, using (3.18), that

$$(3.22) \quad v(C_j^{(m_o)}) - v(C_{j;n_{v_1}}) \leq \frac{1}{16}\epsilon$$

We know that $e(C_j^{(m_o)}; x^{(m_o)}) - e(C_i; m_o; x^{(m_o)}) \geq 0$. Hence,

$$(3.23) \quad v(C_j^{(m_o)}) - \sum_{k \in C_j^{(m_o)}} x_k^{(m_o)} - (v(C_i; m_o) - \sum_{k \in C_i; m_o} x_k^{(m_o)}) \geq 0.$$

By applying standard procedure to inequality (3.23) one easily derives, by using inequalities (3.16) - (3.22), that

$$v(C_j) - \sum_{k \in C_j} x_k - (v(C_i) - \sum_{k \in C_i} x_k) \geq -\epsilon.$$

Since ϵ is an arbitrary positive quantity, this means that

$$v(C_j) - \sum_{k \in C_j} x_k \geq v(C_i) - \sum_{k \in C_i} x_k, \text{ or } e(C_j; x) \geq e(C_i; x).$$

Thus $(x; \mathcal{D}) \in K(G)$. Since x is a limit point of a series of vectors $\{x^{(n)}\}$, such that for all n , $x^{(n)} \in O_n$, then by the conditions of the theorem it follows that $x \in O_\omega$.

The following theorem is an example which shows how non-standard models may generate theorems concerning the kernel of infinite games.

Theorem 3.10. Let $G = (N; v)$ be an infinite game satisfying

(3.2), (3.3) and (3.4). Let \mathcal{D} be an arbitrary coalition struc-

ture. Then for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an n_1 such that for any

n_2 greater than n_1 and any $x^{(n_2)}$ for which $(x^{(n_2)}; \mathcal{D}_{n_2}) \in K(G_{n_2})$

there exists an $n_3 < n_1$ and an $x^{(n_3)}$ such that
 $(x^{(n_3)}; \mathcal{D}_{n_3}) \in K(G_{n_3})$ and $\sum_{1 \leq i \leq n_3} |x_i^{(n_3)} - x_i^{(n_2)}| + \sum_{n_3 < i \leq n_2} x_i^{(n_2)} \leq \epsilon$.

Proof: Let ϵ be an arbitrary positive quantity. Let \hat{G} be the image of G in \mathcal{B} . Let \hat{n}_1 be an infinite natural number. Let \hat{n}_2 be an arbitrary infinite natural number such that $\hat{n}_2 > \hat{n}_1$. Let $\hat{x}^{(\hat{n}_2)}$ be such that $(\hat{x}^{(\hat{n}_2)}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\hat{n}_2}) \in \hat{K}(\hat{G}_{\hat{n}_2})$. Let x be an infinite dimensional \mathcal{A} -vector such that $x_i = (\hat{x}^{(\hat{n}_2)}_{i \sim})^{*v}$. Let \tilde{x} be the image of x . We have seen in the proof of Theorem 3.9 (see (3.10)) that for any positive \mathcal{A} -number δ ,

$$(3.24) \quad \hat{\Sigma}_{1 \sim \leq i \leq \hat{n}_2} |\tilde{x}_i - \hat{x}^{(\hat{n}_2)}_i| + \hat{\Sigma}_{i > \hat{n}_2} \tilde{x}_i < \delta \sim.$$

We have also seen in the same proof (see (3.11)) that there exists a natural \mathcal{A} -number, n_3 , and a vector $x^{(n_3)}$ such that $(x^{(n_3)}; \mathcal{D}_{n_3}) \in K(G_{n_3})$ and $\sum_{1 \leq i \leq n_3} |x_i - x_i^{(n_3)}| + \sum_{i > n_3} x_i < \delta$. Thus

$$(3.25) \quad \hat{\Sigma}_{1 \sim \leq i \leq n_3 \sim} |\tilde{x}_i - (x^{(n_3)})_{i \sim}| + \hat{\Sigma}_{i > n_3 \sim} \tilde{x}_i < \delta \sim$$

Combining (3.24) and (3.25) and setting $\delta = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon$, we receive

$$(3.26) \quad \hat{\Sigma}_{1 \sim \leq i \leq n_3 \sim} |(x^{(n_3)})_{i \sim} - \hat{x}^{(\hat{n}_2)}_i| + \hat{\Sigma}_{n_3 \sim < i \leq \hat{n}_2} \hat{x}^{(\hat{n}_2)}_i < 2 \sim \cdot \delta \sim = \epsilon \sim.$$

From (3.26) it follows that the statement "there exists a \hat{k}_1 such that for any $\hat{k}_2, \hat{k}_2 > \hat{k}_1$, and for any $\hat{x}^{(\hat{k}_2)}$ such that $(\hat{x}^{(\hat{k}_2)}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\hat{k}_2}) \in \hat{K}(\hat{G}_{\hat{k}_2})$ there exists a $\hat{k}_3, \hat{k}_3 < \hat{k}_1$, and an $\hat{x}^{(\hat{k}_3)}$, such that $(\hat{x}^{(\hat{k}_3)}; \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\hat{k}_3}) \in \hat{K}(\hat{G}_{\hat{k}_3})$ and

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{1 \sim \leq i \leq \hat{k}_3} |\hat{x}^{(\hat{k}_3)}_i - \hat{x}^{(\hat{k}_2)}_i| + \hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{k}_3 \sim < i \leq \hat{k}_2} \hat{x}^{(\hat{k}_2)}_i < \epsilon \sim"$$

is true in \mathcal{B} . The statement is expressible as a sentence in the first order predicate calculus. Then it is true when re-interpreted in \mathcal{A} . The statement, when re-interpreted in \mathcal{A} , states precisely what we wish to prove.

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